

Statement by the Press Secretary on the President's Meeting With King Hussein of Jordan

June 18, 1993

President Clinton and King Hussein of Jordan held a productive meeting which lasted for 2 hours. The two leaders discussed a wide range of issues, including their shared commitment to achieving tangible progress in the Middle East peace process this year.

President Clinton reaffirmed that the United States is committed to serving as a full partner and honest broker in these historic negotiations. He stressed that negotiations are the only viable path to achieve a comprehensive, just, and lasting peace between Israel, the Arab states, and the Palestinians.

The two leaders discussed the importance of strong enforcement of United Nations sanctions on Iraq. The two countries will continue to work closely in pursuit of that goal.

The President and King Hussein also discussed Jordan's progress toward democratization and respect for human rights. President Clinton expressed his support for the courageous efforts of King Hussein in this regard, and noted that this work will encourage long-term stability and prosperity in Jordan.

Digest of Other White House Announcements

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

June 12

The President declared a major disaster exists in Minnesota following severe storms, flooding, and tornadoes on May 6–19.

June 13

In the evening, the President and Hillary Clinton hosted a reception for members of the White House press corps.

June 14

The White House announced the President has directed Secretary of Energy Hazel Rollins O'Leary to perform the duties of the office of Nuclear Waste Negotiator.

The White House also announced the President will visit Seoul, Korea, on July 10–11 to meet with President Kim Young Sam and visit American troops stationed at the DMZ.

June 15

The President sent to the Congress amendments to the FY 1994 appropriations requests for international development assistance, the Legal Services Corporation, and the Department of Justice.

The President announced that physicists Leon M. Lederman, Harold Brown, and John S. Foster, Jr., are the winners of the 1992 Enrico Fermi Award.

June 17

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with the Vice President.

June 18

In the evening, the President and Hillary Clinton attended the 14th anniversary celebration of the Newport Jazz Festival on the South Lawn of the White House.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

Submitted June 15

Robert Riggs Nordhaus, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the Department of Energy, vice John J. Easton, Jr.